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SUBJECT: ANTIQUA AND BARBUDA CHILD LABOR INFORMATION FOR  
TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT ACT (GSP) 2008 REPORT

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11. (U) Incidents of the worst forms of child labor are not believed to be a problem in the countries of the Eastern Caribbean. All countries in the region have enacted comprehensive child protection laws and measures. However, given rising poverty levels in the region due to the high cost of living, there may be some isolated incidents of child labor, especially among migrant communities. Our sources in the government and labor unions do not believe that there are any serious incidents of the worst forms of child labor occurring in the region.

12. (U) LabOff confirmed with the Ministry of Labor and the labor unions, that there have been no significant changes to last year's submission. (ref b.)

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